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PATENT



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Continuation Patent Application Of:)	Prior Pending Application:
Baker et al.)	U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/223,349
)	Filed: December 31, 1999
)	Prior Examiner: R. Hartman Jr.
)	Group Art Unit: 2121
Mailed: June 19, 2003)	
)	Present Application:
FOR: Interface To A Programmable Controller)	Examiner: Not Assigned
)	Group Art Unit: Not Assigned

CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION
TRANSMITTAL FILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/223,349, filed December 31, 1999 and is related to a co-pending U.S. Patent Application entitled "Embedded File System for a Programmable Logic Controller," filed on December 30, 1998. The parent application was filed by Applicants R. A. Baker, Jr. and Charles J. Klindt and is similarly entitled "Interface To A Programmable Controller".

Benefit of Prior U.S. Application

The attached continuation application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application, as indicated below.

Papers Enclosed

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d), the specification filed herewith contains no new matter. Accordingly, a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney as well as a copy of the executed, recorded Assignment from the parent application (U.S. Application No. 09/223,349) recorded April 19, 1999 Reel/Frame 9904/0219.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 for a Change of Order of Joint Applicant Names filed on June 19, 2003.

The papers attached are as follows:

43 pages of Specification
3 pages of Claims
1 page of Abstract
3 sheets of informal Drawings containing Figures 3

Additional Papers Enclosed

A Preliminary Amendment is also attached to be entered before calculating the filing fee. Claims 1-3, 7, 8 and 12 have been amended. The added claims have been numbered consecutively following the highest numbered claim of the prior U.S. application as originally filed.

Incorporation by Reference

The entire disclosure of the prior applications, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same as that for the parent application. Pursuant to Section 605.04(f), Applicants request that the order of the names in the application and prosecution papers be as follows: Charles J. Klindt and R. A. Baker, Jr.

Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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For:	No. Filed	No. Extra	Rate	Fee		Rate	Fee
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As required under 35 U.S.C. 120, the Specification of the attached application has been amended and is referenced in the attached Preliminary Amendment and includes the specific reference to the earlier filed parent application.

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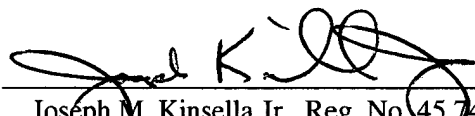
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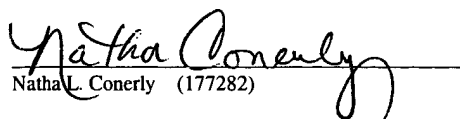
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